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Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. The reference was cited in an Office Action mailed March 7, 2006 in the corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-0185332. A copy of the reference listed on Form PTO-1449 is attached.

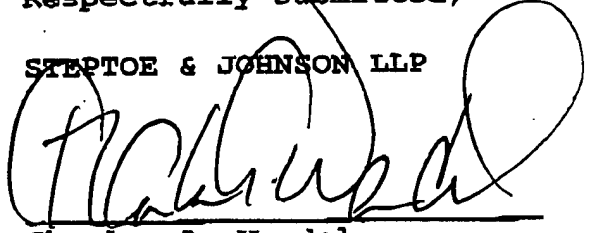
Also attached is applicant's Statement of Relevancy, and an English translation thereof, in which the pertinent paragraphs of the Japanese reference have been translated for the convenience of the Examiner.

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